



Fiddlin' Around

And until we meet again...

Fiddlers bid a fond farewell to Bob and Pam Phillips

Roast Bob, anyone?

By Jen Lahnala

As we all know, Bob and Pam have announced their plans to leave our fair city. We're gathered here tonight to make sure it's a decision they don't regret.

So Will Warner, Fiddler parent, opened the farewell roast for Fiddlers founders Bob and Pam Phillips on April 25 at Pleasant Ridge Elementary School. Fellow parent Jim Douthat assisted Will as they emceed nearly two hours of laughter over stories and memories resurrected from eight years of their leadership of the Saline Fiddlers Philharmonic.



Alumnus Aaron Hahn sings his original tune "Bob Phillips, A Heck of a Guy".

Thirteen Fiddler alumni, 86 parents, 18 current Fiddlers, the Phillips' three daughters and in-laws were all present to wish Bob and Pam a happy retirement from teaching in the Saline school system.



Pam and Bob, ...er, on the spit, as it were.

Tour managers Jim and Joan Roth and choreographer Sheila Graziano were also there, recalling stories of those first Fiddler experiences with trips and stage presentation.

A highlight of the evening was alumnus Aaron Hahn's hilarious performance of "Bob Phillips, A Heck of a Guy", his original composition. Audience members were soon singing the refrain along with Aaron.

Although the intent of the evening was to roast Bob and Pam with favorite "Bobisms" and tales, many just couldn't help but say nice things. Alumni

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*** Senior Edition ***

This is the final newsletter of the 9th season. We dedicate this edition to our graduating Fiddlers and their parents. Look inside for features on each graduate, their words of wisdom, and for our summer schedule.

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Will Warner, holding his notes, calls on family and friends to speak during the Phillips roast.

recalled how Mr. Phillips helped them mature. Current Fiddlers and orchestra students thanked Mr. Phillips for his inspiration and gushed how proud they were to be “orchestra freaks”.

Then there were others who inserted “Mr. Phillips” in place of “the sun” while reciting the words to the tune, “The sun is a mass of incandescent gas”.

Bob will prepare his **final** final grades in just a few weeks.

Upon Bob’s retirement, he and Pam plan to move to western Michigan this summer, where Bob will write instructional books for string instruments and conduct workshops for youth orchestras. Pam will undoubtedly be the manager of this new corporation.

It was a fun and feisty way to share memories of the good times, and some of the harder times, the group has experienced together.

We wish you the very best, Bob and Pam, in all your new adventures. And please, don’t stay too far away from Saline.

And until we meet again, may God hold you in the palm of his hand.

*** Senior Edition ***

Many of the graduating seniors have listed for us the top ten things they have learned from their experiences in the Saline Fiddlers Philharmonic. These lists were great, but they were even better when put into categories by topic. Throughout this issue we’ve listed those gems of wisdom gleaned from both the class of 2003 and 2002. So, enjoy reading and learning!

What Fiddlers has taught me about traveling...

- How to live out of a suitcase.
- How 13 girls can fit into one tent at Camp Phil.
- If you stay in a tent, it will rain and soak everything you own.
- How to endure long bus trips.
- How to go everywhere with a buddy.
- How to spend days and days on a bus with the same people.
- Don’t spend too much time with one person on trips.
- The back of the bus tends to be louder than the front.
- On road trips, it is essential to kick your partner on the floor so that you can stretch out on two seats.
- If you are on the Fiddler bus, make sure to keep your head away from the overhead compartment when they are unloading vans.
- Don’t use the bus bathroom.
- Railroad tracks are coated with sticky, goupy grease that is really hard to wash out of your hair.
- There is such a thing as too much beautiful scenery.

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Presenting the class of 2003

Ana has been a member of the Fiddlers for four years. She was in the Fiddle Club prior to that, and says that it feels like she has been fiddling forever. Ana started her music career in fifth grade playing the violin, but switched to the double bass during the middle of that year. Ana plays the electric bass, washboard, and occasional acoustic guitar with the Fiddlers. She is a clogger, and sang a solo at the last Hometown concert. In addition to the Fiddlers, she played the tuba in marching band her senior year.



Ana

When asked what her favorite Fiddler memory was, Ana replied, "During our trip to Calgary, not only did I save a baby seal, bet on chuck-wagon races, and drink glacier water, but I also climbed a mountain. Picking my favorite would be a tough one." She especially liked the Washington, D.C. trip, where the Fiddlers played at the 2001 Presidential Inauguration.

Ana has an interest in (actually she referred to it as an *addiction* to) buying formal wear and swim wear. When not in the mall, Ana keeps busy by skiing, taking photographs, and working on the yearbook. She has worked for Community Education for the last four years teaching various youth activities. She plans to spend most of her summer enjoying Michigan and surrounding areas before heading off to Western Michigan University in the fall to major in business, but is undecided on a future career.

Ana's advice to new Fiddlers: "Stay positive and realize that the experience is completely what you make of it. Oh, and you really ought to be in the rhythm section!"

Andrea has been a member of the Fiddlers Philharmonic for three years. She started playing violin when she was in the first grade. Andrea says that she just walked up to her mom and dad and said, "I want to play the violin," and the rest is history. Andrea was new to Saline as a freshman, so



Andrea

she was not familiar with the Fiddlers. Mr. Phillips recruited Andrea to orchestra and encouraged her to try out for the Fiddlers. It was a decision she has never regretted.

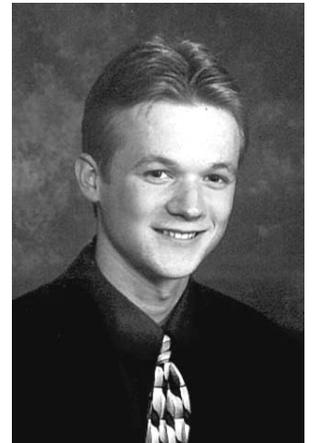
In addition to playing the violin, Andrea has clogged and has sung several solos with the Fiddlers. Her favorite fiddling tune is the *Farewell Set*. Andrea plays the piano and has learned how to play the guitar in the last couple of years.

Andrea has been a four-year member of cross-country; she ran track and has been in Varsity Blues. She is a member of the National Honor Society, SADD, and the student government.

Andrea's favorite Fiddler trip was to Calgary, but her favorite Fiddler memory was playing at the Berger School for Autistic Children, a gig that moved her more than anything else she has ever done. "The students were just amazing."

Andrea will be attending Hope College in the fall and plans to study chemistry with a pre-med focus. She would like to be a family practice physician, but would also like a side career as a pop singer!

Andrea's advice to new Fiddlers: "Enjoy Fiddlers and the great opportunities that it offers! High school is all about growing and learning as a person, and Fiddlers is a great avenue for that. But, most of all, have fun!"



Brad

Brad – Anyone who has seen the Fiddlers perform within the last four years recognizes, and remembers the fiddle playing of Brad. Not only does Brad play the violin with the Fiddlers, but he has been featured on the mandolin, dobro, and when needed, the guitar. Brad began playing the violin in fifth grade, but those who watched him way back then knew he has a special talent for the fiddle.

Brad decided to become a Fiddler because he thought it would be great to perform all over the country with a bunch of his friends. Through the years, Brad says he tried singing and clogging, but "failed drastically."

When asked what his favorite Fiddler trip was, Brad responded, "The Canadian Rockies. We saw some very

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amazing sights. I love the mountains, so this was definitely a trip for me.” His favorite fiddler memory was playing in Cain Park in Cleveland last summer. “It was a gorgeous outdoor amphitheatre. I got to play a dobro solo on stage all by myself. (Everyone left the stage.) I felt like a real star hearing my music echo through the room!”

When not playing the fiddle, Brad enjoys downhill skiing, fishing, camping, traveling and sleeping. He also has a knack for the technical side of the music business, and has worked as an audio engineer on a few productions.

Brad has many plans this summer, which include playing in a few gigs with his Irish band, and he will be teaching at the Mark O'Connor String Conference in San Diego. He will be attending the University of Michigan to study jazz music for the violin in the fall.

Brad's advice to new Fiddlers: “Be better at turning in your absence slip than I was!”

Claire – If anyone has ever seen the Fiddlers perform in the last four years, they are sure to remember Claire as the one with the powerful voice and contagious smile. Claire first saw the group perform at a hometown concert when she was in Fiddle Club. She said they looked like they were having so much fun that she just wanted to join. “You could tell that they loved to play and the energy they displayed was infectious – I couldn't wait for tryouts so I could hopefully be part of the group myself.”

Claire chose the viola in fifth grade because she was told that orchestras were always looking for viola players, so she thought it might help in college as well. Claire also plays the piano, but her first love is singing. She has been singing for as long as she can remember, and has been taking voice lessons for three years. She describes *Telluride* as her favorite Fiddler tune because she says that it is most like her...light and fun.

Claire's favorite memory of the Fiddlers was Calgary. One moment in particular will live with Claire for the rest of her life. After performing to a crowd of thousands at a Canada Day event, a man who seemed to be of little means came to Claire and told her that he was impressed with the



Claire

way she portrayed *When You Say Nothing At All*. “He said that the feeling and meaning I put into the song made him feel overwhelmed and that not many people had ever made him feel that way. That moment will live on in me.”

Claire will be attending Eastern Michigan University where she will be pursuing a career as a vocal teacher. She would also like to teach orchestra. Claire's advice to new Fiddlers: “HAVE FUN! You will make lots of great memories that you will remember until you are old and gray!”

Dan joined the Fiddlers before his junior year as a sound technician.

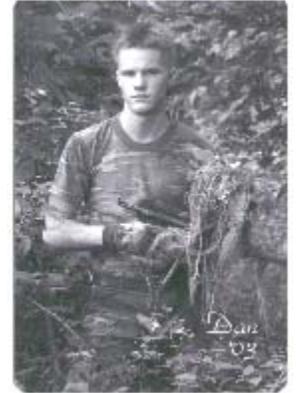
Dan has played violin in the school orchestra since fifth grade. He got more and more involved in Fiddlers when many of his friends joined the group, and decided to pursue it from the sound technician side.

Dan's favorite Fiddler tune is *Mason's* “because it is easy to mix (sound) and has that sweet bass solo in it. My favorite Fiddlers memory would definitely be the Calgary trip. I began that trip with two or three friends, and by the time it was over, I had thirty-some new friends.”

Paintball is probably Dan's first love. He also likes music and golf. In high school Dan has been involved in the prom committee and soccer.

Dan will be attending Eastern Michigan University in the fall. He will be studying business, with an emphasis in entrepreneurship.

Evan - Evan was following family tradition when he decided to try out for the Fiddlers four years ago. Evan's brother had been a Fiddler, and from his words of encouragement, Evan decided to go for it. He liked the idea of traveling and performing in front of large audiences. Evan certainly has had many opportunities to perform his violin in front of all sizes of audiences during his tenure with the Fiddlers. Those who attended the 2002-



Dan



Evan

... the Graduates

2003 performances will recognize Evan as the voice behind *Blackberry Blossom*. Evan has many interests outside the Fiddlers including scuba diving and "enjoying learning about automotive-related subjects." He has been a member of SADD for three years, Future Leaders for three years, and is a member of National Honor Society. He played football as a freshman.

Evan's favorite Fiddler trip was the trip to Calgary and Banff. His favorite Fiddler memory was standing on top the Canadian Rockies with his best friends. Performing with Mark O'Connor at the Power Center is another favorite.

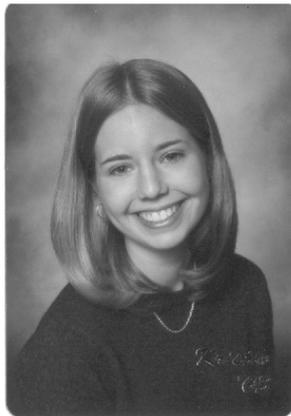
Evan plans on working at a car dealership this summer, so that he can "get his feet wet" in the automobile business. He will be attending Michigan State University in the fall where he plans to major in mechanical engineering. He would like to be a head mechanic for a major corporation such as Ford or GM, but really dreams of working with the NASCAR circuit.

Kristin is a three-year member of the Fiddlers, joining prior to her sophomore year. She debated between the viola and the clarinet in fifth grade. She had a cousin who played viola professionally, and after she saw him perform, she was hooked on the viola. She became interested in pursuing the Fiddlers after she saw them perform while she was in the sixth grade Fiddle Club.

Kristin's favorite Fiddler trip was to Calgary. She says the trip was so exciting because they got to do so many different things. "The Stampede was awesome!" She also enjoyed staying in host housing. Kristin recalls some very fun times on several of the bus trips, including the taping of fellow freshman Fiddlers to seats while they slept!

Kristin has been clogging with the Fiddlers since she joined. She particularly enjoys clogging to *Vladimir's Steamboat*, *Big John McNeil*, *Peeking Pup*, and *That's Right Too*. Her favorite Fiddler tune is *Bowl of Bula*.

In addition to music, Kristin has a love for sports. She has been on the cross-country team for four years, played soccer for two years, and ran track one year. During her junior year, she became interested in sport training, and has

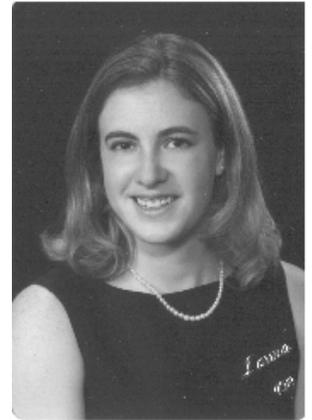


Kristin

been assisting the SHS trainer full time for the last two years.

Kristin hopes to work at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital this summer so that she can gain more exposure to the health professions. She will be attending Central Michigan University in the fall where she plans to pursue an education in a health related field such as sports medicine, pre-med, or nursing. Kristin hopes to continue her education at Wayne State University's Medical School.

Kristin's advice to new Fiddlers: "First of all, have fun. Enjoy playing the music. Fiddlers will take you to amazing places. Second, practice. If you learn the music on your own, you won't have to spend rehearsal time working on it. Instead you can work on fun things."



Laura

Laura was referred to in a January, 2003 article of the *Jam Rag* as the one who was down front at the November Hometown Concert singing and playing one of the weird-looking, giant bug-like electric cellos. Laura has been a member of the Fiddlers for two years, joining prior to her junior year. She began playing the cello in fifth grade and was greatly influenced by her sister to join orchestra. She has taken lessons from former Fiddlers Theresa Doss, Reid Smith and Barney Culver.

The Fiddlers has allowed Laura to explore many new performance options, including singing, dancing and playing spoons. She has sung many group songs, but her favorite memory is singing a solo of *Used to Be* at the fall Hometown concert. She said that experience gave her the opportunity to "step out of my shell." Her favorite Fiddler song is *Bowl of Bula*.

Laura has been involved in many activities throughout high school. She is a four-year varsity award winner in tennis, where she played 1 and 2 singles. She also qualified to play at the Junior Olympics this summer through her club's team tennis program. She played softball for two years, and is a fanatic Detroit Tigers fan (even though they continue to have losing seasons). She has been a member of SADD and Future Leaders for four

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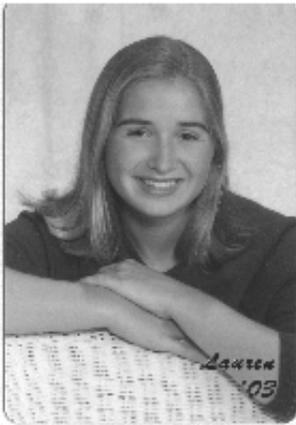
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years and has been a member of DECA for the last year. She just recently returned from the DECA international competition in Orlando, Florida.

Her favorite Fiddler trip was the Florida tour last spring. She enjoyed playing for the variety of schools, but was especially fond of the magnet school in St. Petersburg. A visit to Walt Disney World and Universal Studios were also high on her list of favorite trip highlights.

Laura will be attending Central Michigan University next fall where she plans to major in business operations with a minor in sports studies. Laura would like to pursue a career in operations of a professional sports team.

Laura's advice to new Fiddlers: "Always smile when you are on stage. It releases endorphins which make your performance that much better."



Lauren

Lauren moved to Saline in the eighth grade. She didn't even know what Fiddlers was then, but her orchestra teacher talked her into trying out. She started with the Fiddlers the next year as a violinist, having played

since third grade. She picked up the banjo and dobro her sophomore year and joined the rhythm section then.

MacPherson's Lament is a favorite Fiddler tune. The best trip for Lauren was the northern Michigan tour in 2000. "I just liked how we lived on the side of a highway." Her favorite Fiddler memory is "when we shared the dressing room with the Marines."

Lauren has been playing soccer all four years of high school. She is Class President and has been involved in Science Olympiad, National Honor Society, school musicals and volunteering at the hospital. She has worked at the neurology lab at the University of Michigan, where she will be attending in the fall. Lauren will be studying medicine to become a doctor. Before that, she will spend two weeks biking around Vermont.

Advice to new Fiddlers? "Just have fun."

Nicole has been playing the violin since she was eight years old. She saw Bonnie Rideout play with the Fiddlers at her first Hometown Concert and it looked like so much fun, that she joined the Fiddle Club in sixth grade. She became a Fiddler in ninth grade and has loved it ever since.



Nicole

Nicole has been clogging for four years to at least seven Fiddler tunes. She has had one solo singing part – the two words "my man" as a backup vocalist. Nicole can also play the cello, "but I have no idea how I can do that." She has taught violin lessons and helped teach summer orchestras.

"I love playing sports – no matter which one." Nicole has played high school basketball and softball and ran cross-country. She has five years of karate and ten years of dancing experience, and belonged to SADD and National Honor Society.

Her favorite Fiddler trip was to the Canadian Rockies.

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- To appreciate home cooking...like at Cracker Barrel.
- EAT
- You don't have to eat five times a day.
- Eat and use the restroom whenever you can.
- Save your food money and you will have a wad of cash at the end of the trip.
- Food is your best friend.
- Eat even when you are not hungry.
- The best candy in the whole world comes from Canada
- Don't throw the boys' toothbrushes in the toilet 'cause they will probably do it back to you. (*Editor's note – Why would you want to get rid of the boys' toothbrushes?*)
- When they say 'lights out' at 11:00 pm, it is more like 1:00 am.

Parents: Where would we be without them?

By Mollie Nieves

As the seniors leave us this year with their individual skills and personalities, so do their families. Many "large" shoes will need to be filled as this particular group graduates from the Fiddler Family!

I would like to thank all the parents of current seniors for their patience, support, and wisdom during this past season of transition. It goes without saying that a parent of a Fiddler will put as much time into the organization as the student in some way, shape, or form. Without a doubt, these have been very special times and make for fond memories. I consider myself lucky to have experienced a small part of these extraordinary students lives. The unexpected bonus has been getting to know many of their families.

Thank you all for everything – *Mollie Nieves*

Jim and Margo Douthat: Without a doubt, Mr. Douthat has gotten more of

us into trouble while keeping his own nose clean! (Not to mention surprising and dazzling us with his own light shows at various venues). Mrs. Douthat, on the other hand has done the unending job of keeping record of the donations and sending out thank-yous, as well as heading up the sales table! She has always been behind the sales table at the Hometown Concerts, (as well as lending her twin sister Marti's counting skills -- many of us have given hugs to the wrong sister).

Gary and Deborah Hahn: Over the years the Hahns have given us invaluable legal and financial advice/support. They have been a huge asset to the group, bringing valuable ideas and opening community doors whenever possible. Mr. Hahn has always introduced the Fiddlers at the *Concert In the Park Series* – can we count on you this summer as

well, Mr. Hahn?

Ms. Gayle Craig– Gayle could always be found ushering at the Hometown Concerts! She also brought an unforgettable birthday cake to rehearsal one Sunday for her son to share with the group – it had a "frosting photo" of the Fiddlers on it! It was awesome!!! (Not to mention it was devoured in less than five minutes)!

Mr. Glenn Klos: Mr. Klos gets the Fiddlers award for being the "tannest man alive"--- or at least in this part of Michigan!

Jim and Barbara Marks: Mrs. Marks has been managing the "drivers" to gigs ever since we can remember! It has always gone without a hitch, and



Back row: Shelly Banet, Karen Kendall, Kathi Midkiff, Mollie Nieves, Linda Owczarzak. Front: Barb Radloff, Denise Newton, Margo Douthat, at the American String Teachers Association Conference in Columbus.

even if there was a problem no one knew because she always had people "waiting in the wings" to help. In addition, she has organized the Ushers for the Hometown Concerts and now knows where every seat in the auditorium is by memory! She has also participated as the Parent Advisor for the class of 2003. Her common sense and constant willingness to help will be hard to replace. Mr. and Mrs. Marks leave the organization after having two

of her sons graduate from the group!

Kathi and Jim Midkiff: Kathi Midkiff has been a behind the scenes help in every way you can think of, -- she has helped with the backstage food at Hometown Concerts, helped in the kitchen at camps, driven to gigs whenever possible, and often could be found behind the sales table. Kathi has often chaperoned and will be with us on tour with Mr. Midkiff this summer!

Linda and Michael Owczarzak: Mrs. Owczarzak has been the most organized Hometown Concert "reception" person the group may ever know. Although she will be moving on from Fiddlers, she

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Parents / A big 'thank you' to some wonderful people

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has promised to pass on her outline to her job – if we have that I think we'll be O.K. She has driven to many gigs and has chaperoned whenever she can. Mr. Owczarzak has been a huge help at all the Hometown Concerts doing many behind the scenes jobs, as well as ushering.

Denise and Dave Phillips: This is a good time to point out for those newer fans that our fiddler is not the son of Bob and Pam Phillips, nor are they related. We appreciate having Dave's influence on the school board.

Terri and Frank Piazza: Besides Terri's administrative support, The Piazzas opened their home for both the Hometown Concerts this past season! What else need we say? To host 32 Fiddlers and their families was an undertaking of large proportions to say the least! (Just housing the many pairs of shoes at the front door was interesting) -- We will not quickly forget the "game room" (in particular the bowling...)

Rick and Barbara Radloff: Barbara Radloff has managed the individual student Fiddler accounts as well as driven to many gigs. But mostly, Barb saved the group at the last minute, by sewing (beautifully) professional vests for the girls when their new shirts came in no bigger than dolls clothes!!! And what many of you may not know is that Rick Radloff donates time and materials to perform regular maintenance on the Fiddler trailer. He has helped the group avoid numerous problems and costs by caring for the rig.

Bob and Cathy Sigler: The Siglers opened their home for the Fiddler Christmas Party this past year – that included the wrapping mess and this year a large "piece of clothing" that will not soon be forgotten! (Where is it now?)

A memory from a 'graduating' mom

By Barbara Marks

It has been a wonderful seven and a half years with both sons involved in the Saline Fiddlers Philharmonic.

In the summer of 2000 for their final piece of the show, the Fiddlers shared Ann Arbor's Power Center stage with Mark O'Connor and Natalie McMaster. While both boys played many gigs together that year, often they positioned themselves as bookends on stage: one on one side and one at the other.

However, on this night, one of their last performances together, both boys stood side by side and played their hearts out. It was most delightful and so memorable.

We thank Bob and Pam Phillips, Ben Culver, and Mollie Nieves for their dedication and for providing these priceless musical experiences.

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"To climb the Rocky Mountains was just amazing to me. It was so beautiful. That trip was a great time with my friends.

"I don't think I can just pick one favorite Fiddler memory. I will just say it is truly amazing to have played for thousands of people and for them to enjoy what we do. Whether it is young kids, teens, adults, or grandparents, every moment has been a miracle."

Next year Nicole will be attending the University of Michigan. She is considering gastroenterology! Before that, she will be visiting Cedar Point and northern Michigan with the Fiddlers, and just spending time with her friends.

Parting advice to new Fiddlers: "Be yourself and just have fun. High school goes by fast, so enjoy every minute of it! Fiddlers gives you so many opportunities, so take advantage of them."

What Fiddlers taught me...

- * The benefit of passing music on to kids from other schools
- * No matter what, you will always have 30 moms watching you
- * The sky is green and the grass is blue
- * The sun is a mass of incandescent gas
- * How to get along with diverse personalities
- * Listen to Mrs. Nieves (she usually knows the right answer)



So this is how you do it!

Shameless plugs –

Please take note: With so many Fiddler parents ‘graduating’, there are lots of jobs opening up in the organization. See Ben or Mollie to help out.

The Fiddlers rely on financial sponsors to keep the shows on the road. Again, see Ben or Mollie to help.

Happy Birthday to:

Ben	May 1
Kristen	May 2
Jacob	May 5
Evan	May 21
Gus	May 25
Emily	June 8
Brandon	June 11
Sarah	June 16
Ana	June 18
Hannah	July 6
Nicole	August 1
Ben	August 9
Alex	August 18
Christina	August 20
Brad	August 22

Calendar of Upcoming Events

- ♪ May 17: **Kellogg Arena, Battle Creek**, 7:30 pm. Public performance sponsored by the Battle Creek Optimists Club. Kellogg Arena, 60 W. Van Buren St., Battle Creek, MI. Tickets: \$10.50, all seats reserved. Tickets will be available in early April from The Discovery Theater at 269-441-2710.
- ♪ June 22: **Springfield, Ohio Summer Arts Festival**, 8:00 pm, Veteran's Park Amphitheatre (with a rain location). This performance is open to the public and is presented by the Springfield Arts Council with no admission fee. For more information call the Springfield Arts Council toll free at 1-866-324-2712 or visit their website at www.springfieldartscouncil.org
- ♪ **June 28 - July 6:**
Fiddlers' Tour of Northern Michigan:
- ♪ June 28, Saturday: **Cheboygan Opera House**
- ♪ June 29, Sunday: **East Jordan - Freedom Festival**
- ♪ June 30, Monday: **Sault Ste. Marie – Soo Locks Festival**
- ♪ July 2, Wednesday: **Alpena, MI**
- ♪ July 12: **Saline Celtic Festival**. Open to the public - charge at the gate.
- ♪ July 25: **Howell Concert Series**.
- ♪ September 5: **Saline Fair**. Open to the public - charge at the gate.
- ♪ September 20: **Western Michigan Bluegrass Festival**. Open to the public - charge at the gate. The Fiddlers will be giving two performances, one in the afternoon and another in the evening.
- ♪ November 14 & 15: **Fall Hometown Concerts**. Guest artists to be announced.

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Seniors share

*** Senior Edition ***

What Fiddlers taught me about performing ...

- Clogging.
- No white socks.
- Don't forget your hat.
- Tune at least 16 times before every gig.
- We tune because we care.
- Look professional and do not act your age – act older.
- Always be smiling.
- Smiling has nothing to do with being happy.
- When you think that something's good, there's always a lot more to be done to make it even better.
- "Stop plucking!"

Please Note: This is the final newsletter of the ninth season. Enclosed is the Fiddlers' summer schedule (see page 9). We hope to see you this summer!

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